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METHOD FOR ENHANCING

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response After Final Rejection is filed in response to the final Office Action having a mailing date of December 20, 2000. This response is believed to be timely and therefore, no fees are enclosed. In the event that fees are due in connection with this response, please debit Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Please amend and reconsider the above-identified patent application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 10, 11, 12, and 14 as follows, without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein. For purposes of clarification, Claim 41 is reiterated below, without amendment.

10. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said targeted immune system inhibitor is a host-derived immune system inhibitor selected from the group consisting of interleukin-1 receptor antagonist, transforming growth factor-\u03b3, interleukin-4, interleukin-10, soluble receptors for interleukin-1, soluble receptors for interleukin-2, soluble receptors for interleukin-4, soluble receptors for Interleukin-6, soluble receptors for interleukin-7, soluble receptors for interferon- γ and soluble receptors for turnor necrosis factors α and β .

11. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said targeted immune system inhibitor is produced by a microdegatism [selected from the group consisting of complement